May 21, 2007

RACELAND-WORTHINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT

A Local/State public hearing was held at the Raceland-Worthington Independent School Board Office on May 21, at 6:00 PM (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Raceland-Worthington Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 10-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the new plan. There were (2) persons at the hearing exclusive of the hearing officer. Shawn Johnson, LPC chairperson, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Superintendent Frank Melvin and former Superintendent John Stephens were present.

COMMENTS

Shawn Johnson called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan that includes: several renovations to Campbell Elem., Worthington Elem., and Raceland-Worthington Alternative. Classrooms, special ed. resource rooms, a kitchen and cafeteria were primary focuses at the Campbell building. Worthington renovation included special ed. resource rooms and a site-based office and conference area. Capital construction priorities included the construction of a bus garage. Most of the district need falls in the discretionary category due to building age, enrollment, and immediate impact on learning.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. Mr. Stephens noted that the facility plan was well thought out and was designed to meet the needs of the students. It was also noted that the goal was to design a plan to make the most educational impact.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Raceland-Worthington Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Raceland-Worthington Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Raceland-Worthington School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by,

Shawn Johnson-LPC Chairperson Timothy K. Lucas, KDE Fac. Mgmt.

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director Att.: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda
Planning File Raceland-Worthington Ind. School District

Facility Plan